



OFFICE OF THE PREMIER

WELCOMES PREMIER MOKGOSI

Premier Lazarus Kagiso Mokgosi was elected Premier of the North West Province on 14 June 2024 to lead the 7th Administration.

He matriculated from Kgomotso High school, Kgomotso village in the Greater Taung Local Municipality in 1988 and went on to obtain a Diploma in Secondary Education from the erstwhile University Bophuthatswana in 1991, where he qualified as a teacher, a Diploma in Education Management from the University of Pretoria in 1996, a Diploma in Adult Education at Randse Afrikaans Universiteit (RAU) in 1999 and a Bachelors of Education (Honors) from the University of the Free State in 2001. He also holds an Advanced Diploma in Public Management from the University of the Free State, having obtained it in 2007. Premier Mokgosi has extensive experience in the public service having worked for various government departments as an educator as well as in various senior management roles. Having served as an educator from 1992 to 1997 in Pampierstad, he was subsequently appointed as a School Principal between 1997 and 2003 in Taung.

From 2003 to 2009, he served as District Director for the North West Department of Public Works and Roads in the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti District and then again as District Director for the North West Department of Transport and Roads in the same district from 2009 to 2014.

He again held the position of District Director for the North West Department of Public Works and Roads in the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti District from 2014 to 2022. Premier Mokgosi was elected the Deputy Provincial Chairperson of the African National Congress (ANC) in the North West in August 2022; a position he still occupies. He has previously served as a Branch Executive Member of the South African Democratic Teachers Union (SADTU) Pampierstad branch (1994 – 1997), Chairperson of the SADTU Pampierstad branch (1997 – 2000) and as SADTU Regional Education Convenor in the Bophirima Region and SADTU Provincial Education Committee member (2000 – 2002). He has previously served in various leadership roles and capacities

including as a member of the Branch Executive Committee of the ANC Pampierstad branch (1996 – 1998), Branch Chairperson of the ANC Pampierstad branch (1998 – 2000), member of the Bophirima ANC Regional Interim Committee (2000 – 2002), additional member of the Bophirima ANC Regional Executive Committee (2002 – 2004) as well as ANC Deputy Regional Secretary in the Bophirima Region (2005 – 2009). He also served as ANC Regional Chairperson in the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti Region (2010 – 2015), Member of, and Fund Raiser for, the ANC Regional Task Team (RTT) in the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti Region (2015 - 2018), ANC Regional Elections Coordinator for the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti Region for the 2016 Local Government Elections (2015 – 2016), ANC Regional Coordinator in the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti Region for the 2019 National and Provincial Elections and as an ANC IRC member responsible for Fund Raising (2018 – 2021). Premier Mokgosi started his political life at an early age, starting from his primary school days until college level. He has participated in various stages and levels of resistance politics in the civic movement, organized labour and the African National Congress; in addition to having been an active member of the South African Communist Party (SACP) and the Congress of South African Trade Union (COSATU). Premier Mokgosi has served as a Member of the Provincial Legislature (MPL), from December 2022 to March 2023, serving on the Portfolio Committee on Economic Development, Agriculture and Tourism as well as the Oversight Committee and the Rules Committee. From March 2023 to July 2023, he served as the ANC Chief Whip in the North West Provincial Legislature, where he was mandate to, amongst others, provide political accountability, ensure that members are account to their constituencies and parties as well as provide political management of the Chief Whip's Office. Prior to his election as Premier, he had served as MEC for Social Development in the North West from July 2023 until after the 2024 National and Provincial Elections.